

**IV. Amendments to the Abstract**

Please amend the abstract as follows:

~~The present invention involves a~~ A laser-welded driveshaft is provided, including ~~The~~ laser-welded driveshaft comprises a tube and a yoke ~~laser-welded~~ laser-welded to the tube. The tube has a driveshaft wall extending to an open end, wherein the wall has inner and outer surfaces. The yoke includes a tube-engaging pilot which is disposed through the open end and the yoke is laser-welded to the open end of the tube.